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Please amend paragraph [0018] of the specification as follows:

[0018] FIG. 2 further illustrates a portion of a container 22 including a body portion 23 having relatively vertical sidewalls, and a shoulder portion 24 that serves as the transition between the body 23 and an extending neck portion 26. Neck portion 26 is provided with outer screw threads 28 on its outer surface that are selected to cooperate with the inner screw threads 20 of the cap 10. In this way, the threads 20 of the cap 10 can be mated with the threads 28 of the container 22 to provide an assembly 30 in which the cap 10 is screwed onto the neck portion 26 of the container 22. Neck portion 26 further includes an opening or inner chamber 32 surrounded at one end by a peripheral rim 34, the rim having a relatively flat upper surface 36. Alternatively, the upper surface 36 may be angled to improve certain aspects of the sealing process. The opposite end opposite end 25 of the chamber 30 opens to the body portion 23 of the container 22, which is the portion of the container 22 that holds the products, such as food products. The assembly 30 further includes a sealing member or seal 40 positioned between the upper surface 36 of the neck portion 26 and the top wall 18 of the cap 10, as will be described in further detail below.